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ARREST RELEASE

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Incident: Tobacco Compliance Checks

MESSAGE

On November 11, 2011, the Rockford Police Department Community Services Unit and M3 Street Teams Unit combined efforts with the Winnebago County Health Department to conduct city wide tobacco compliance checks at businesses that sell tobacco products in the City of Rockford. During these checks, official funds from the Winnebago County Health Department and minors employed by the Health Department were utilized to make controlled purchases of cigarettes from these businesses.

Over 125 stores were checked in the City of Rockford. The following stores sold cigarettes to minors and the clerks at the following businesses were issued citations for "Sale of Tobacco Products to Minors"

- 1.) 14Four Mini-Mart, 708 Broadway
- 2.) W&S Food & Liquor, 1317 Broadway
- 3.) Shell Gas Station, 3202 S. Alpine Road
- 4.) Downtown Discount Drugs, 325 West State Street
- 5.) Nobles Grocery, 529 West Jefferson Street

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